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SUBJECT: MEETING WITH ROMANIAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER PACOSTE

1. USUN MISSION OFFER MET MIDDAY AUGUST 10 WITH ROMANIAN DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER PACOSTE, AT ROMANIAN EMBASSY. PACOSTE TENDED TO BE PESSIMISTIC CONCERNING POSSIBILITIES OF FAVORABLE NAM CONSIDERATION OF ROMANIA'S APPLICATION. HE RECOGNIZED THAT INDIA WAS OPPOSED FOR REASONS INVOLVING PAKISTAN, BUT HOPED ALOUD THAT NEW DELHI'S ATTITUDE WAS NOT INFLUENCED BY ANY ANTI-ROMANIAN FEELING AS WELL.

2. NEVERTHELESS, PACOSTE SAID, FOREIGN MINISTER MACOVESCU WILL BE ARRIVING IN COLOMBO AUGUST 15 (BY WHICH TIME, PACOSTE IS AWARE, A DECISION ALREADY WILL HAVE BEEN TAKEN BY NAM.)

3. PACOSTE ANTICIPATES ADOPTION OF TOUGH DPRK LANGUAGE ON KOREA, CALL FOR CHAPTER VII SANCTIONS AGAINST ISRAEL, AND AN APPEAL (BUT ONLY AN APPEAL) TO NON-ALIGNED MEMBERS TO BREAK DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. RECOGNIZING HIMSELF THAT PUERTO RICO IS AN INTERNAL US MATTER, PACOSTE NEVERTHELESS FORSEES LANGUAGE BEING ADOPTED  
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WHICH WILL BE DIFFICULT FOR US. HE BELIEVES, HOWEVER,

THAN PANAMANIAN WILL NOT PUSH HARD LINE ON CANAL.

4. TURNING TO NON-NAC MIDDLE EAST PROBLEMS, PACOSTE URGED USG CONSIDERATION OF A PALESTINE-ISRAEL CONFEDERATION. HE INSISTED THAT ANY CONFEDERATION LINKING ARAFAT AND HUSSEIN WOULD RESULT IN THE DEMISE OF THE LATTER.

5. PACOSTE APPARENTLY HAD BEEN BRIEFED CONCERNING ATTENDANCE OF USUN MISOFF AT RECENT CONFRONTATION IN NEW YORK WITH DEFECTOR UNGUREANU. HE APPEALED ONCE AGAIN FOR THE CADET'S RETURN TO ROMANIA: HE IS A YOUNG BOY WHO DOES NOT KNOW WHAT HE HAS DONE; HIS FAMILY IS VERY UPSET; HE WILL SUFFER NO REPERCUSSIONS.

6. LASTELY, PACOSTE URTED THAT US ACCEDE ANGOLAN MEMBERSHIP IN THE UN: "ALTHOUGH WE DO NOT FAVOR EXTERNAL INVOLVEMENT IN A COUNTRY, WE SUPPORT UNIVERSALITY OF UN." FURTHER, ROMANIA HOPES THAT WASHINGTON WILL "NORMALIZE" RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM: "ONLY WHEN THAT HAPPENS WILL HANOI ASSIST CONCERNING MIA/KIA PRISONERS."  
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